GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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WEAVERS UNDER HEALTH INSURANCE SCHEME
Deo Shri Bikram Keshari

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the families of weavers in Kalahandi-Bolongir- Koraput districts have been covered by Health Insurance Scheme;

(b) if so,the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor alongwith the time by which all the families of weavers are likely to be covered under the said scheme; and

(c) the number of Yarn Banks working in the country including Orissa at present,State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES(SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a): No,Sir.Against 18880 families in the above districts,so far 9061 families have been covered under the Health Insurance Scheme.

(b): Enrolment under Health Insurance Scheme is voluntary and any handloom weaver who fills the required enrolment form is registered under the scheme.However,steps are being taken to persuade the remaining weaver families in the profession for coverage under the scheme by March, 2009.

(c): Presently,there are 624 Yarn banks functioning in the country including 26 in Orissa.